



## **SABIT GROUP PROGRAM**

### **ENERGY EFFICIENCY in CONSTRUCTION for RUSSIA FAR EAST AUGUST 27 – SEPTEMBER 24, 2005**

#### **SCOPE AND MISSION**

The SABIT Energy Efficiency in Construction for Russian Far East will train 18 mid- to senior-level executives from the region's construction sector. These delegates, screened and selected by the U.S. Department of Commerce, represent industry leaders, who are seeking information on developments on energy efficiency in construction and are starting to see significant investment from a variety of sources. This program will introduce these regional leaders to industry trends and help them establish contacts with potential partners in the U.S. energy efficiency sector.

#### **PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

The Energy Efficiency in Construction program aims to accomplish a number of objectives. Participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of construction industry developments regarding energy efficiency in the United States, including general topics such as materials, design, and equipment. This will be done primarily through meetings with leading U.S. construction firms, suppliers, equipment manufacturers, and local, state and federal government representatives. By stressing these major thematic areas, not only will participants be able to implement meaningful changes in their businesses and organizations upon their return home, but they will be better prepared to work successfully with U.S. partners.

#### **BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION**

This is a unique opportunity for U.S. companies to provide industry insight and training while showcasing their products and services to their Eurasian counterparts. By hosting this SABIT group, U.S. companies actively involved with energy efficiency in construction will have the opportunity to establish or expand their operations and activities in the Russian Far East. Participating U.S. host companies will find the personal contacts made by hosting the delegation will greatly improve their commercial opportunities and operations with these industry leaders.

#### **PROGRAM STRUCTURE**

This program will begin August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005 in Washington, D.C. with an orientation, training sessions, and visits to relevant government agencies, associations, and local companies in the National Capital Area. During the remaining three weeks of the session, the group will travel to relevant regions across the country to meet with leading U.S. industry organizations and experts.

#### **HOST THIS DELEGATION**

SABIT is currently looking for U.S. hosts to provide training sessions ranging from a few hours up to a full day at their facilities. Training should emphasize some of the following topics that are of interest to the delegates, and represent some of the current challenges they face within their organizations with respect to energy efficiency:

- Materials
- Sub-structure construction (lighting, electric, plumbing, etc.)
- Energy sources
- Technological developments
- Financing
- Industry standards

#### **COST OF PARTICIPATION**

SABIT will cover the vast majority of program costs for all delegates, including round-trip airfare to the United States, all U.S. domestic air travel, lodging, insurance, per diem for meals and incidentals, and interpreters to provide simultaneous interpretation of all program events. In turn, U.S. host companies and organizations are asked to provide industry expertise through training in the topics pertaining to this particular program.

#### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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